

**INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 2005 – 0800 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 2**

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was moderate nationally with 216 new fires reported. Three new large fires were reported, two in the Eastern Great Basin Area and one in the Northern Rockies Area. Three large fires were contained, one each in the Southwest, Eastern Great Basin and the Northern Rockies Areas. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, Arizona, New Mexico, Nevada, Texas and Utah.

SOUTHWEST AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

CAVE CREEK COMPLEX, Tonto National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Whitney) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Lousy, Broad and Cave Creek fires is six miles northeast of Carefree, AZ in chaparral, oak, and grass. A road closure has been established at Bartlett Lake. Riparian areas, endangered species habitat, and archeological resources remain threatened. Steep topography, flashy fuels, and poor access are contributing to control problems. Active fire behavior along portions of the perimeter was reported.

PERKINS COMPLEX, Phoenix Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Reinarz) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Salt, Pepper, Union and Chuey fires, is 34 miles north of Kingman, AZ in grass and shrubs. Structures and range resources remain threatened. Good progress was made on all fires.

THREE FIRE COMPLEX, Tonto National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Philbin) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Three and Four fires, is eight miles northwest of Tonto Basin, AZ in chaparral and grass. An Arizona Game and Fish wildlife enclosure was lost. Recreation facilities on Roosevelt Lake, Four Peaks Wilderness Area and wildlife habitat remain threatened. State Highway 188 is intermittently closed. Wind-driven downhill runs continue to impede containment efforts. Light overnight precipitation was received.

HUMBUG, Arizona State. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Oltrogge) is assigned. This fire is eight miles south of Crown King, AZ in grass and brush. The historical mining town of Crown King remains threatened. Backing with isolated flare ups was reported.

BIGHORN, Phoenix Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 24 miles south of Aguila, AZ in brush and grass. Hummingbird Springs Wilderness Area, Big Horn Wilderness Area, and endangered wildlife habitat are threatened. Extreme fire behavior with rapid rates of spread was observed. Burnout operations were successful.

GOLDWATER, Phoenix Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 16 miles north of Ajo, AZ in grass and brush. Native cultural resources and wildlife habitat remain threatened. A transfer of command back to the Department of Defense will occur today.

COTTONWOOD, Coronado National Forest. This fire is five miles east of Catalina, AZ in mesquite and grass. No new information was reported. This will be the last report unless new information is received.

AZTEC, Coronado National Forest. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Raley) is assigned. This fire is four miles south of Patagonia, AZ in grass and brush. No new information was received.

NORTH GILA COMPLEX, Gila National Forest. A Fire Use Management Team (Hall) is assigned. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) complex, comprised of the Fork and Johnson fires, is 13 miles southeast of Reserve, NM in timber and grass. The complex is being managed to accomplish multiple resource objectives. Fire behavior was low to moderate with the Fork incident reporting the additional acreage.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
CAVE CREEK COMPLEX	AZ	TNF	60,145	20	UNK	775	28	25	1	0	1.8M	N/A
PERKINS COMPLEX	AZ	PHD	21,200	70	7/1	306	10	8	4	0	590K	N/A
THREE FIRE COMPLEX	AZ	TNF	16,932	10	UNK	274	6	12	0	0	200K	N/A
HUMBUG	AZ	AZS	3,400	50	6/26	107	5	2	1	0	NR	ST
BIGHORN	AZ	PHD	2,000	50	6/25	97	4	4	0	0	NR	BLM
GOLDWATER	AZ	PHD	58,536	95	6/25	88	2	12	0	0	NR	BLM
COTTONWOOD	AZ	CNF	400	25	UNK	58	3	1	2	0	NR	FS
AZTEC	AZ	CNF	1,300	90	UNK	204	2	9	1	0	1.54M	FS
NORTH GILA COMPLEX - WFU	NM	GNF	13,313	N/A	N/A	86	2	2	0	0	614K	FS
BLACK RANGE COMPLEX - WFU	NM	GNF	14,790	N/A	N/A	40	1	3	0	0	200K	FS
JANE	AZ	AZS	320	100	---	6	0	2	0	3	NR	ST

WESTERN GREAT BASIN INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

GOODSPRINGS, Las Vegas Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Krugman) is assigned. This fire is 11 miles northwest of Jean, NV in juniper, brush and grass. Voluntary evacuations of Mt. Springs continue, and wildlife habitat remains threatened. Running, torching, and spotting were reported. Smoke is impacting Las Vegas.

SOUTHERN NEVADA COMPLEX, Las Vegas Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Suwyn) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the South Desert Complex (includes Halfway, Meadow Valley, Tule, Toquap and Duzak fires) and the Mesquite Complex (includes Bunkerville, Dryrock, Middle, Dry Lake, Lamb, Coyote and Wamp fires) is near Mesquite, NV in grass, pinyon and juniper. Wildlife habitat is threatened. Duzak and Meadow Valley fires were active on all fronts and exhibited extreme fire behavior. Mesquite Complex reported low to moderate fire activity.

COYOTE, DeSoto Valley National Wildlife Refuge. This fire is 19 miles north of North Las Vegas, NV in yucca, pinyon and juniper. Desert Tortoise habitat remains threatened. Running and spotting were observed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
GOODSPRINGS	NV	LVD	17,000	NR	7/2	260	12	11	3	0	NR	BLM
SOUTHERN NEVADA COMPLEX	NV	LVD	65,077	NR	UNK	599	23	11	0	0	300K	N/A
COYOTE	NV	DSR	4,000	NR	6/28	1	0	0	0	0	NR	FWS

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

HACKBERRY COMPLEX, Mojave National Park. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Walker) is assigned. This complex comprised of the Hackberry, Brant, Wildhorse and Ranch fires is 15 miles south of Essex, CA in grass and brush. Fourth of July Canyon was evacuated. The Seven IL Ranch, historical sites, archeological sites, wilderness values and wildlife habitat remain threatened. Runs on steep terrain and extreme fire behavior were observed.

PARADISE, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, San Bernardino Unit. A CDF Type 1 Incident Command Team (Paul) is assigned. This fire is one mile southwest of Morongo Valley, CA in chaparral, juniper, and sagebrush. Joshua Tree National Park, Morongo Valley, and Yucca Valley remain threatened. Excellent containment progress was made. Windy conditions remain a concern.

SOBOBA, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection, Riverside Unit. A transfer of command from a CDF Type 1 Incident Command Team (Henson) back to the local unit will occur today. This fire is one mile north of San Jacinto, CA in grass. Significant line construction was achieved. Spot fires remain a problem.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
HACKBERRY	CA	MNP	50,000	10	UNK	535	14	52	1	1	347K	NPS
PARADISE	CA	BDU	3,022	90	6/25	899	34	43	0	6	1.29M	ST
SOBOBA	CA	RRU	2,080	80	6/25	818	38	40	3	0	1.68M	ST

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

WESTSIDE COMPLEX, Cedar City Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Saleen) has been ordered. This fire is 25 miles northwest of St. George, UT in grass, pinyon and juniper. A road closure is in effect for Ranch Road. High winds, low relative humidity, running and crowing were reported.

MT. BANGS COMPLEX, Arizona Strip Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This complex, comprised of the Lead, Elbow and Hatchet fires, is 15 miles south of Mesquite, NV in grass and brush. A Boy Scout camp was evacuated. Desert Tortoise habitat is threatened. Rapid rates of spread were observed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
WESTSIDE COMPLEX	UT	CCD	30,000	0	NR	150	7	1	0	0	80K	BLM
MT. BANGS COMPLEX	AZ	ASD	2,000	10	NR	50	2	1	0	0	NR	BLM
RED	UT	CCD	15,000	100	---	68	3	10	0	0	50K	BLM

ALASKA AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

SHEENJEK RIVER, Alaska Fire Service, Upper Yukon Zone. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kurth) is assigned. This fire started on Fish and Wildlife Service land 12 miles northeast of Ft. Yukon, AK in birch, aspen, black and white spruce. Cabins and outbuildings remain threatened. Short runs, single tree torching, smoldering and creeping were reported. Increase in acreage is due to more accurate mapping.

CHAPMAN CREEK, Alaska Fire Service, Tanana Zone. This fire is eight miles south of Coldfoot, AK in black spruce and tundra. The community of Coldfoot and various sites along the Alaska Pipeline are threatened. Backing fire and intermittent torching were reported.

BILLY HAWK CREEK 1, Alaska Fire Service, Galena Zone. This fire started on Fish and Wildlife Service land 30 miles northwest of Huslia, AK in black spruce and tundra. Few heat sources have been detected. This will be the final report unless significant events occur.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
SHEENJEK RIVER	AK	UYD	71,040	54	UNK	260	8	0	5	0	2.42M	FWS
CHAPMAN CREEK	AK	NOD	52,000	5	UNK	79	3	0	4	0	470K	BLM
BILLY HAWK CREEK 1	AK	GAD	1,980	90	UNK	57	3	0	2	1	404K	FWS

NORTHERN ROCKIES AREA INCIDENTS / LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD	ORIGIN OWN
BUG FARM	MT	NES	300	100	---	66	0	1	0	0	NR	ST

NES= Northeastern Land Office, Department of Natural Resources

OUTLOOK:

Red Flag Warning: Northwest Arizona for strong southwest winds and low humidity.

Weather Discussion: As an upper low approaches the California coast, gusty winds are expected over Nevada, Utah, western Arizona and southern California. Thunderstorm activity will also increase from the Sierras to the Rockies. In Alaska, a very weak upper level ridge will continue over the state with warm temperatures along with afternoon thunderstorms over portions of the interior.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
<p>Southwest Breezy to windy and drier conditions in western Arizona. Partly to mostly cloudy with scattered thunderstorms northeast half of Arizona and northwest half of New Mexico. Mostly sunny and hot remainder of Arizona, New Mexico and west Texas.</p>	<p>Mountains: 65 to 90. Lower elevations: 90 to 110.</p>	<p>Lower elevations: 5 to 20%. Higher terrain and west Texas 20 to 35%.</p>	<p>Western Arizona: southwest 10 to 25 mph with gusts 35 mph Eastern Arizona and western New Mexico: Southwest 10 to 15 mph with gusts 25 mph Eastern New Mexico and west Texas: south to southeast 10 to 20 mph.</p>
<p>Southern California Areas of morning low clouds and fog into the coastal valleys, otherwise partly cloudy with scattered thunderstorms over the Sierra and northern deserts.</p>	<p>Mountains: 65 to 80. Valleys: 75 to 85. Upper deserts: 80 to 90. Lower deserts: 95 to 105.</p>	<p>20 to 40%.</p>	<p>Southeast to southwest 10 to 20 mph.</p>
<p>Alaska Interior Partly cloudy to mostly sunny. Scattered afternoon showers and isolated thunderstorms in the central and southern interior.</p>	<p>Upper 60s and 70s.</p>	<p>Upper Yukon Valley: 16 to 30%. Otherwise 30 to 40%.</p>	<p>Northeast to southeast 10 to 15 mph.</p>
<p>Rocky Mountain Area Seasonal temperatures and scattered thunderstorms across Colorado and eastern portions of the region.</p>	<p>Eastern plains: Upper 80s to lower 90s. Higher elevations: 60s to lower 70s. Elsewhere: 80s.</p>	<p>Lower elevations of Wyoming: 15 to 20%.</p>	<p>South 10 to 25 mph over the Eastern Plains.</p>



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FIRE NOT SCOUTED AND SIZED UP

Watchout Situation #1 comes up during initial attack and every time resources arrive at a fire.

● Before taking action on the fire, the following considerations must be addressed:

- Can you personally observe the fire or must you use scouts? Describe ways you can scout and size up a fire.
- Do you know the location of the fire perimeter? Discuss situations in which the fire perimeter may not be obvious. (Spotty fires, etc.)
- Do you know the direction of fire spread? When isn't the direction of fire spread obvious? (Wind shifts, spotty fires, etc.)
- Does the direction of fire spread increase risk? Talk about situations where you may have to approach the head of the fire. (Hiking down from a helispot, approaching from an existing road, switching winds, etc.)
- Do you know the fuels and their condition? What kind of information will you assume from what you already know about fuel types? (Spot fires in fir, extreme fire potential in flashy fuels, etc.)

● Continued from above...

- Do topographic hazards exist? What can you assume from what kind of terrain the fire covers? (Slope, chimneys, aspect, etc.)
- Does enough information exist to establish a plan of attack? When do you have enough information to begin fighting fire? What do you need to know?
- Do other dangers exist? Have you talked about factors specific to the area you are working in? (Hunters in the woods, drought, snag patches, etc.)

● To reduce the risks:

- Post lookouts until the fire is sized up and escape routes and safety zones are established.
- Retreat if the situation is too complex. Review fires where you had to wait until the area in which you were assigned to work was scouted and sized up before you were allowed onto the fireline.

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES		0	0		0		0
	ACRES		2,522	3,200		10,251		15,973
Northwest	FIRES	1						1
	ACRES	1						1
Northern California	FIRES					9	4	13
	ACRES					136	1	137
Southern California	FIRES		3	1		15	3	22
	ACRES		2	1		118	2	123
Northern Rockies	FIRES					2	1	3
	ACRES					300	0	300
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES		9			2	4	15
	ACRES		48,005			3	4	48,012
Western Great Basin	FIRES		2	2		1	2	7
	ACRES		40,600	2,700		0	61	43,361
Southwest	FIRES	20	5			4	25	54
	ACRES	1,030	1,754			223	20,686	23,693
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	1	4	1		5	10	21
	ACRES	2	12	0		3	3	20
Eastern Area	FIRES					33		33
	ACRES					5		5
Southern Area	FIRES					44	3	47
	ACRES					171	49	220
TOTAL	FIRES	22	23	4	0	115	52	216
	ACRES	1,033	92,895	5,901	0	11,210	20,806	131,845

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	2	44	27	24	211	10	318
	ACRES	3	166,357	99,043	18,254	41,449	320	325,426
Northwest	FIRES	44	29	6	8	144	129	360
	ACRES	330	18	9	5	6,488	61	6,911
Northern California	FIRES			1		410	80	491
	ACRES			0		2,211	39	2,250
Southern California	FIRES	15	29	4	13	769	140	970
	ACRES	53	1,076	16	44,003	16,377	72	61,597
Northern Rockies	FIRES	270	8	16		122	55	471
	ACRES	4,564	185	913		1,619	1,314	8,595
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	4	100		11	98	45	258
	ACRES	811	50,647		2	4,372	18	55,850
Western Great Basin	FIRES	1	101	7	10	14	11	144
	ACRES	0	105,275	6,570	12	21,017	106	132,980
Southwest	FIRES	872	94	9	23	676	418	2,092
	ACRES	9,246	106,369	9,237	213	45,941	93,031	264,037
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	128	80	19	6	146	89	468
	ACRES	2,684	113	172	9	14,909	1,632	19,519
Eastern Area	FIRES	496		32	33	7,232	414	8,207
	ACRES	7,052		1,719	940	54,474	7,613	71,798
Southern Area	FIRES	160		96	9	14,241	402	14,908
	ACRES	25,861		17,904	149	151,549	10,532	205,995
TOTAL	FIRES	1,992	485	217	137	24,063	1,793	28,687
	ACRES	50,604	430,040	135,583	63,587	360,406	114,738	1,154,958

Ten Year Average Fires	40,949
Ten Year Average Acres	1,158,938

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PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						52	52
Northern California	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						3	3
Southern California	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						784	784
Northern Rockies	FIRES	2					2	4
	ACRES	20					30	50
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES			2				2
	ACRES			6				6
Southern Area	FIRES						2	2
	ACRES						525	525
TOTAL	FIRES	2	0	2	0	0	5	9
	ACRES	20	0	6	0	0	1,394	1,420

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					4		4
	ACRES					626		626
Northwest	FIRES	18	91	34	2		191	336
	ACRES	5,651	12,267	2,704	249		17,693	38,564
Northern California	FIRES	12	20	133	24		163	352
	ACRES	188	1,098	24,624	2,225		18,108	46,243
Southern California	FIRES	1	6	4	9		77	97
	ACRES	1,000	683	8	2,002		6,124	9,817
Northern Rockies	FIRES	5	28	100	3	31	234	401
	ACRES	155	3,244	20,212	22	2,131	22,131	47,895
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	16	4	1	10	38	70
	ACRES	1	6,944	711	11	128	9,590	17,385
Western Great Basin	FIRES		5	10			2	17
	ACRES		106	2,711			2,775	5,592
Southwest	FIRES	8	30	2	9		223	272
	ACRES	3,062	35,258	3,210	14,212		64,016	119,758
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	29	38	99	14	16	100	296
	ACRES	3,709	10,074	20,099	10,312	2,501	28,629	75,324
Eastern Area	FIRES	36		450	34	1,023	132	1,675
	ACRES	17,502		67,587	4,422	66,882	25,442	181,835
Southern Area	FIRES	34		144	38	385	1,062	1,663
	ACRES	7,180		78,578	22,959	249,547	877,533	1,235,797
TOTAL	FIRES	144	234	980	134	1,469	2,222	5,183
	ACRES	38,448	69,674	220,444	56,414	321,815	1,072,041	1,778,836

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						0	0
Southern California	FIRES				0			0
	ACRES				2			2
Northern Rockies	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						22	22
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES				1		3	4
	ACRES				0		2	2
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		0					0
Southwest	FIRES				1	1	9	11
	ACRES				1,870	5	27,469	29,344
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		5		2		1	8
	ACRES		1		1		0	2
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	6	0	4	1	15	26
	ACRES	0	1	0	1,873	5	27,493	29,372

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	0	1	449	26,619
Yukon Territory	1	0	41	11,187
Alberta	1	0	865	58,048
Northwest Territory	1	0	47	7,135
Saskatchewan	0	0	113	36,355
Manitoba	1	0	80	3,228
Ontario	3	1,001	344	16,793
Quebec	1	2	444	614,170
Newfoundland	1	32	82	2,547
New Brunswick	1	0	201	204
Nova Scotia	1	0	210	491
Prince Edward Island	0	0	0	0
National Parks	0	0	37	15,056
Total	11	3,496	2,913	791,833

RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska	13	2			10	1			149	42
Northwest	2		13		1				1	
Northern California	8		14		3					
Southern California	24	70	65	84	7	2			48	180
Northern Rockies			4	10						3
Eastern Great Basin	17	2	38	2	3	1			14	
Western Great Basin	25	11	34	2	5				62	15
Southwest	62	14	46	48	10	1			270	172
Rocky Mountain	1	1	16	8	1				6	3
Eastern Area									8	
Southern Area	1		6	16	1				2	
Total	153	100	236	170	41	5	0	0	560	415

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